
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING A REQUIREMENT THAT INSTRUCTIONAL HOURS BE
COLLECTIVELY BARGAINED.

1 WHEREAS, since the passage of Act 167, Session Laws of
2 Hawaii 2010, schools across Hawaii have been working towards
3 implementing a bell schedule to conform to section 302A-251,
4 Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

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6 WHEREAS, section 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
7 currently requires all public elementary schools in the State,
8 excluding charter schools and multi-track public schools, to
9 implement a school year that includes nine hundred fifteen
10 student instructional hours; and

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12 WHEREAS, section 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes, also
13 requires all public secondary schools, excluding charter schools
14 and multi-track public schools, to implement a school year that
15 includes nine hundred ninety student instructional hours for the
16 2014-2015 school year; and

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18 WHEREAS, school administrators and teachers have made a
19 good faith effort to implement these requirements, including
20 spending a great amount of time on numerous meetings and
21 developing plans; and

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23 WHEREAS, despite this good faith effort, many secondary
24 schools are having difficulty in implementing their bell
25 schedules to comply with these requirements; and

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27 WHEREAS, many elementary and secondary schools are also
28 forced to use opening, closing, homeroom, and study hall time to
29 count as student instructional time for the purposes of section
30 302A-251, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Legislature believes that decisions regarding
2 instructional time are best accomplished through a process that
3 includes input from teachers and school administrators; now,
4 therefore,

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6 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
7 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
8 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature
9 supports a requirement that instructional hours be subject to
10 the collective bargaining process and negotiated between the
11 Hawaii State Teachers Association and the Board of Education;
12 and

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
16 Board of Education, the Superintendent of Education, and the
17 President of the Hawaii State Teachers Association.

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OFFERED BY:


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